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Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Nineteen bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 523–541, and S. Res. 75.

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Measures Reported:

S. 146, to enhance the safety of America's schools, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

S. 374, to ensure that all individuals who should be prohibited from buying a firearm are listed in the national instant criminal background check system and require a background check for every firearm sale, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

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Measures Considered:

Department of Defense, Military Construction and Veterans Affairs, and Full-Year Continuing Appropriations Act—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of H.R. 933, making appropriations for the Department of Defense, the Department of Veterans Affairs, and other departments and agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2013.

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A motion was entered to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill, and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur on Thursday, March 14, 2013.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill at approximately 9:30 a.m., on Wednesday, March 13, 2013.

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Appointments:

Senate National Security Working Group for the 113th Congress: The Chair announced, on behalf of the Republican Leader, pursuant to the provisions of S. Res. 64, adopted March 5, 2013, the appointment of the following Senators as members of the Senate National Security Working Group for the 113th Congress: Mitch McConnell of Kentucky

(serving in his capacity as Republican Leader), Marco Rubio of Florida (Republican Co-Chairman and designated as Administrative Co-Chairman), Thad Cochran of Mississippi (Republican Co-Chairman), Lindsey Graham of South Carolina (Republican Co-Chairman), Bob Corker of Tennessee, Jeff Sessions of Alabama, John McCain of Arizona, James Risch of Idaho, Roy Blunt of Missouri, James Inhofe of Oklahoma.

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Message from the President: Senate received the following message from the President of the United States:

Transmitting, pursuant to law, a report of the continuation of the national emergency with respect to Iran that was declared in Executive Order 12957 on March 15, 1995; which was referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (PM–5)

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 6:49 p.m., until 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, March 13, 2013. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page \$1716.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION REQUEST FOR FISCAL YEAR 2014 AND THE FUTURE YEARS DEFENSE PROGRAM

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the U.S. Strategic Command and

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U.S. Cyber Command in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2014 and the Future Years Defense Program, after receiving testimony from General C. R. Kehler, Commander, United States Strategic Command, and General Keith B. Alexander, Commander, United States Cyber Command, both of the Department of Defense.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Richard Cordray, of Ohio, to be Director, Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection, who was introduced by Senator Brown, and Mary Jo White, of New York, to be a Member of the Securities and Exchange Commission, who was introduced by Senator Schumer, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION OVERSIGHT

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded an oversight hearing to examine the Federal Communications Commission, after receiving testimony from Julius Genachowski, Chairman, and Robert M. McDowell, Mignon L. Clyburn, Jessica Rosenworcel, and Ajit Pai, each a Commissioner, all of the Federal Communications Commission.

JOB CORPS BUDGET

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Subcommittee on Employment and Workplace Safety concluded a hearing to examine Job Corps budget shortfall, focusing on safeguarding workforce training for America's disconnected youth, after receiving testimony from Jane Oates, Assistant Secretary for the Employment and Training Administration, and Elliot P. Lewis, Assistant Inspector General for Audit, Office of Inspector General, both of the Department of Labor; and Antoine L. Dixon, National Director, Job Corps Civilian Conservation Centers, Forest Service, Department of Agriculture.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

- S. 374, to ensure that all individuals who should be prohibited from buying a firearm are listed in the national instant criminal background check system and require a background check for every firearm sale, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and
- S. 146, to enhance the safety of America's schools, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

NATIONAL SECURITY THREATS TO THE UNITED STATES

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee concluded a hearing to examine current and projected national security threats to the United States, after receiving testimony from James R. Clapper, Director of National Intelligence; Robert Mueller, Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice; John Brennan, Director of the Central Intelligence Agency; Phillip Goldberg, Assistant Secretary of State for the Bureau of Intelligence and Research; Lieutenant General Michael T. Flynn, Director of the Defense Intelligence Agency, Department of Defense; and Mathew Olsen, Director of the National Counterterrorism Center.

House of Representatives

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Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 42 public bills, H.R. 1062–1103; and 6 resolutions, H.J. Res. 34; and H. Res. 106, 108–111, were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors: Pages H1359-60

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows: H.R. 803, to reform and strengthen the workforce investment system of the Nation to put Americans back to work and make the United States more competitive in the 21st century, with an amendment (H. Rept. 113–14, Pt. 1) and

H. Res. 107, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 890) to prohibit waivers relating to compliance with the work requirements for the program of block grants to States for temporary assistance for needy families, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 113–15).

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Walorski to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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Recess: The House recessed at 12:18 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m. Page H1335